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Enticing doctors gets personal

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

A Didsbury group headed by Economic Development Coordinator for the Town of Didsbury Colleen Gustavson, has an idea it hopes will help attract and retain doctors in Didsbury.

The plan is meant to address a need that sources say has left Didsbury approximately five doctors short.

According to Gustavson, there will be a collaborative effort by community members working on the doctor's integration into their medical practice, family integration into the community, and family quality of life issues.

"What we're trying to do from a community point of view is create a coalition for networking," she said.

A meeting was held at the old Didsbury Train station where representatives from

Aspen Ridge Lodge, the Rosebud Health Foundation, town pharmacies, Didsbury FCSS, the Town of Didsbury, town doctors and Calgary Health Region representatives discussed the plan Aug. 29.

Gustavson calls the new approach a hub and spoke model.

"There will be a coordinator at the centre and a large network of community members and doctors to assist with the information resources."

"What you do is you pull the community together and all its resources and information and we can all work together to create what's needed," said Gustavson.

"It's one thing to attract doctors, but we need to make sure their families are happy too," she said.

"That means looking at multiple job opportunities, education, and what their kids need."

Didsbury Deputy Mayor Brian Wittal says the meeting was a step in the right direction.

"Hopefully it will improve some of the incorrect information... so that we can build on a total effort by the community to try and get some physicians in town," he said.

"I think it's the right way to go."

Wittal likes the idea of taking a personal approach to courting each prospective physician.

"Once you've looked at a dozen communities they all start looking the same," he said.

"It's hard to peel them apart, unless something really sticks."

Part of it, is us doing our homework on who is coming here and try and find what it is they like."

Wittal thinks the Didsbury lifestyle will be a selling point.

"We strongly feel that lifestyle of a small town with all the amenities, close to the big city is something that we are able to play on, but not rely strictly on that," he said.

"We want to find the right thing for each person."

Gustavson says if Didsbury doesn't cater to one of the physician's interests, it will probably be available somewhere nearby.

"If we don't, then from a (Mountain View County) point of view we do," she said.

A no-interest \$50,000 bursary is an incentive presently available for doctors who chose to set up their practice in Didsbury.

The grant is paid back over five years, and if the doctor remains in town for five years or longer, \$10,000 of the total is forgiven.

Dr. Ash Jaffer of Didsbury says the incentive for a doctor to select Didsbury needs to be a combination of things.

"I think the first thing that anybody sees when they come to the community is financial," said Jaffer.

"However, seeing a community that is coordinated and that actually goes out of their way to make a physician feel at



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

CROP FIRE - Firefighters work to extinguish a crop fire near Didsbury, Friday afternoon. Mike Jackson estimates he lost about 15 acres of barley to the fire that started while he was harvesting. Jackson said he was working in the field when he noticed a small fire by the grain truck.

"We moved the truck and just about had the fire out but the wind picked up - it was fast," said Jackson.

home, I think speaks more than money."

Jaffer says he selected Didsbury because of what he felt was a positive opportunity.

"I chose Didsbury because of the small-town atmosphere and the opportunity that's here," he said. "The hospital, being able to have a diverse practice with hospital-based work. The lodges, long-term care and of course the proximity to major centres."

Jaffer also notes support from the CHR, and being able to send patients for specialist consultations and investigations as strong points for working in Didsbury.

Jaffer says he thinks the town's combined effort to attract doctors is a good decision.

"I think the coordinated effort of having different ideas at the table and working as a team moving forward is a very positive move," he said.

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Town owns up to utility bill blunder

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

Questions and concerns over what is believed to have been errors on every July utility bill in Didsbury were addressed at a town hall meeting at the Didsbury Memorial Complex Aug. 28.

Chief Financial Officer for the Town of Didsbury Sam Smalldon said confusing pricing details, incorrect sewer rate calculations, and computer system errors were the cause.

On behalf of Town of Didsbury administration, he offered an apology for the mistakes.

"We wanted to come clean and be honest with you," said Smalldon at the meeting.

"What happened in July should not have happened."

Smalldon says action has been taken to so that similar errors don't happen again.

Bellamy Software, the town's software vendor, has reset the utility computer system.

"They reset our system so that our August bills will be correct according to the formula that should have been in place July 1," he said.

"Our administration team has gotten together and we have worked with the computer vendor, we went through the account and we are doing our best to make sure the August billing and the

adjustment to the July bill is made correctly."

Those who paid the faulty bills will receive credit on their account, said Smalldon.

"A lot of people deferred payment of their July bill out of difficulty under-

What happened in July should not have happened.

SAM SMALLDON,
*Chief Financial Officer
for the Town of Didsbury*

standing what they were paying," said Smalldon. A list of corrections made to the updated July bill will be available so each ratepayer will clearly understand the revisions.

Smalldon says notices of August billing will not be distributed until testing is done to make sure they are correct.

Aside from computer errors, Smalldon acknowledged that the town did not properly communicate with the public regarding the utility rate changes issued in July.

"The lessons learned were not just about errors that occurred but also about our communications," he said.

"In order to prepare you for the change you need to know something is coming, understand it and then see it happen. That's the best way for change to be made."

Didsbury sewer rates for 2007 are set at 46.5 per cent of water consumption to be charged in the summer months and 56.5 per cent in the winter.

"That formula will be added to a monthly base rate of \$13, which is a base rate that is meant to cover a debt from the sewer utilities," said Smalldon.

Water services have also changed going from \$1.27 per 13.64 cubic metres, to \$1.37 per 12.24 cubic metres.

"As you know we rely on water from the Water Commission (which experiences) annually increases which we must pass along, at an annual rate of about five cents," said Smalldon, who also provided comparisons to the water rates in nearby municipalities.

He said the average rates for water service in Didsbury are \$39.83 per user,

which is lower than \$40.38 in Olds, \$40.38 in Crossfield, and \$43.99 in Carstairs.

Following the presentation, Smalldon, Mayor Dorothy Moore and members of council answered questions from ratepayers in attendance.

One ratepayer asked about the town's \$13 flat fee.

"I'm understanding that's to pay for infrastructure, work that has already been done. Is that going to be over a number of years? Is that going to be ongoing?"

Smalldon said it should end, and that it should be paid off in approximately 20 years.

Moore says she appreciates the attendance and participation by ratepayers in discussing the matter.

"Council takes your feedback to heart and will consider this input seriously as we review our plans and for utilities that make business sense - together with the lowest taxes we can responsibly offer residents," said Moore.

Preparing election hopefuls

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

It won't be long before Didsbury residents will be heading to the polls and selecting a new council, and a trustee for Chinook's Edge School Division and Red Deer Catholic Regional Division.

The Town of Didsbury has created a booklet for potential candidates, which provides information on offices of elected officials, and key election information.

Returning officer for the Town of Didsbury Luanne Smith says 21 packages were created and she presently has eight left.

"I think with holidays over and summer coming to an end, people are starting to think about this," said Smith.

While that does include new candidates, Smith says incumbents may have also picked up the packages for reference prior to the election.

Nominations must be submitted from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sept. 17.

Those who wish to run in the election will need to submit a \$100 deposit, which Smith says is a system

many municipalities use to filter out the people who aren't serious about their candidacy. If a candidate is elected to office or receives a vote count that is equal to or greater than half the votes received by the elected candidate, the deposit will be returned.

In the last municipal election, two candidates ran for mayor and 13 candidates ran for a seat on council.

"It's always interesting when there's a race."

An all-candidates forum will be hosted by the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce at the Memorial Complex Oct. 3.

The format, which will include those running for school trustee, is expected to be question and answer and involve members of the public.

According to the town's election information package, the Didsbury Mayor will receive an annual salary of \$6,042, and a council member will earn \$4,134 yearly.

Term of office is three years; six council positions and one seat for mayor are available.

Presently, no members of the current council have formally announced their intentions for the election.

A survey was done to help determine the amount of time an elected official commits to a position in Didsbury.

According to answers from members of council, depending on the time of year:
 - each councilor spends five to 10 hours a week on the job.
 - councillors also say they receive two to 10 e-mails, two to five pieces of mail, and five to 10 phone calls a week.
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Latest IDP plan released at open house

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

Didsbury residents got a first-hand look at what the town hopes to include in an annexation with Mountain View County during an open house session at the Memorial Complex Aug. 29. Mayor Dorothy Moore, members of Didsbury Town Council and Austrom Consulting planner Dave Dittrick were on hand to answer questions from the public regarding the proposed expansion.

"Didsbury is having an open house to essentially talk to landowners and determine if there are any outstanding issues or concerns, and trying to gain their support for the annexation," said Dittrick.

Aside from the removal of Rosebud Estates and Mountain View Estates from the annexation proposal, a move that was announced at a public information session at the county office earlier this month, a few revisions were displayed on maps for public viewing.

Moore says the updated proposal includes the town incorporating more industrial land.

"There is a priority for us to have a better proportion of industrial and commercial land," she said.

"There was a calculation done that said we were short and actually still are a little bit."

Presently the town has under 12 per cent of its land designated non-residential and Moore says council would like to see a 60-40 ration of residential land compared to non-residential, but believes 70-30 is a more realistic target.

The other significant change from the previous meeting was the incorporation of a property near Hwy 582 into the annexation proposal.

Owners of the recently included property were wanting to be included in the annexation, said Moore.

With the two previous public sessions regarding the annexation and inter-municipal development plan at the county office, Moore says she's happy with the open house location.

"I was really glad to have one in town, so people can just walk over. I think people from town have an interest in this, even though they're already in town," she said.

From the questions she fielded, Moore says she believes the annexation has been approached with a positive attitude.

"It looks like people approve of what we're doing and why we're doing it," she said.

One of those people is Neil Walker, who has a mixed farm included in the annexation proposal.

"It just makes sense. We're right on the edge of town," he said.

"Towns have a right to grow."

"I own a substantial amount of coulee land that is an environment reserve."

"It'll be nice to have that as part of the town."

Mountain View County Councilor Gwen Day also attended the open house.

"I think we're responding to what the people want and what the town wants," she said.

"I think it's been very amicable."

"We're happy with giving Didsbury the choice where they are able to grow where they want to."

Both councils will see first reading on the inter-municipal development plan at their next meetings.

Following that, a joint IDP public hearing will be held Oct. 1.

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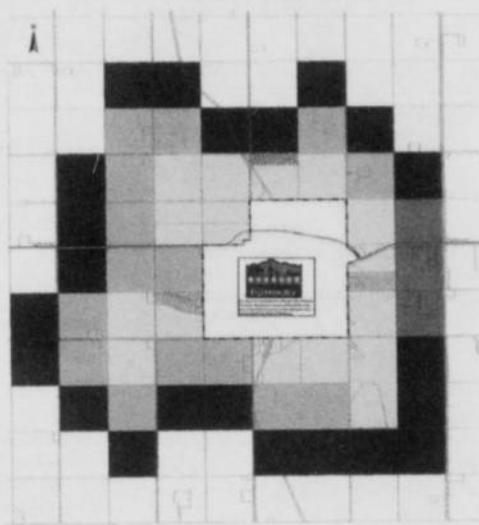


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Opinion

Commentary

Smoking reduction requires community effort

DAN SINGLETON



The percentage of Canadians who smoke has declined steadily over the past few decades - and that's been good news for the health care system and for the general well-being of people from coast to coast.

While most middle age adults can probably remember the time when most people smoked, those days now seem gone for good.

Last week the Harper government took another step on the road to further reducing the number of Canadian who chose to light up, launching the renewed Federal Tobacco Control Strategy.

The plan, as outlined by Health Minister Tony Clement, will see officials strive to reduce the overall smoking prevalence from 19 per cent to 12 per cent by 2011.

"Reaching a 12 per cent smoking rate is a very ambitious goal, but it is by no means unrealistic," said Clement. "Seeing the progress we have made over the past few years, I am confident that by putting the strategy into action, we can achieve this goal."

With smoking related illnesses costing the Canadian health care system more than \$17 billion this year (according to Clement), any efforts to cut down on smoking seem to make good economic, as well health care, sense.

Besides reducing smoking prevalence, the new strategy also calls for reducing the prevalence of youth smoking from 15 to nine per cent, increasing the number of adults who quit smoking by 1.5 million, and reducing the prevalence of Canadians exposed daily to potentially deadly second-hand smoke from 28 per cent to 20 per cent.

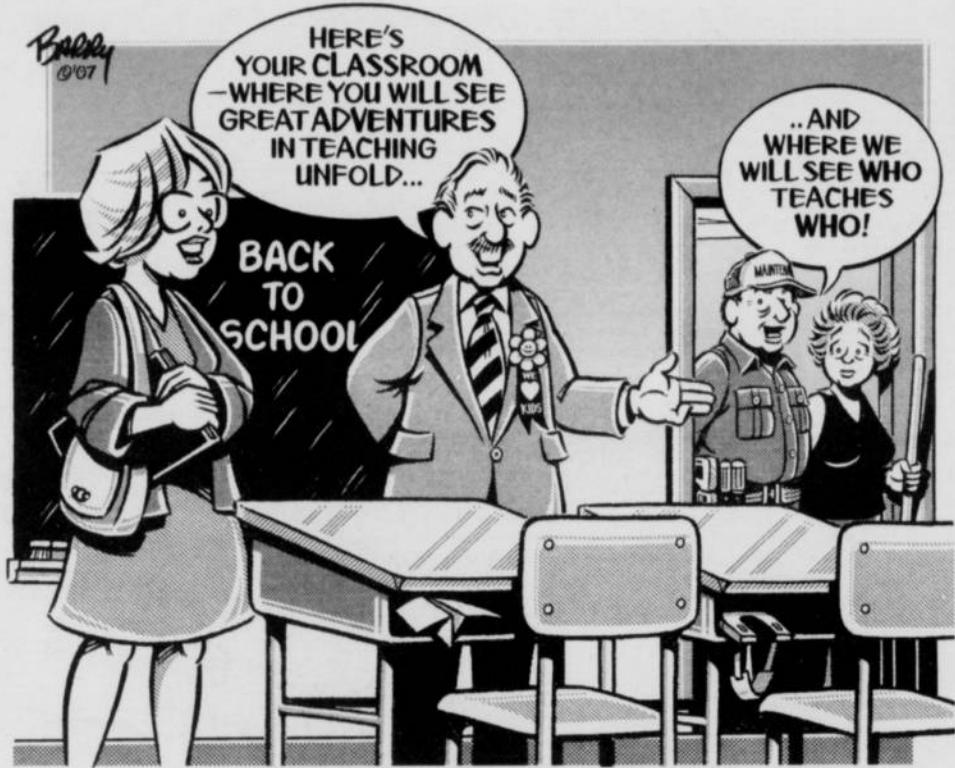
Clement says the government will improve tobacco control regulations, support World Health Organization's tobacco reduction strategies, and increase efforts to fight contraband tobacco activities.

While some of the Harper government's recent policies and programs have proven controversial and even divisive - take the nation's ongoing Afghanistan military as an example - this renewed tobacco control strategy will likely be warmly embraced by the vast majority of people.

Yet as users of a legal product in each and every Canadian province and territory, smokers cannot and must not be made scapegoats in the battle to reduce overall smoking prevalence. Turning addicts into quasi-criminals will not provide any lasting answers and hopefully officials involved with the new strategy will keep that in mind.

Well meaning government programs and plans are all fine and dandy, but any real and lasting change on the smoking front will only come when people at the community level do everything they can to ensure young people just don't pick up the habit in the first place.

The percentage of Canadians who smoke has declined in recent years and hopefully that positive trend will continue.



Commentary At The Kitchen Table

NOREEN
OLSON



I'm quite sure that our much loved little guests have gone south for the winter, but maybe one of our residents is still around, and there is always a chance that someone who is just passing through might stop for a snack. I have been told, that at this time of year, we should take down the feeders so that the birds are not encouraged to stay too long and get caught in bad weather. But I think feeder or not, they go when they are ready.

Christmas catalogues are already arriving and we have the notice for Sears Christmas Wish Book. Papers are full of ads for "Back To School," the days are noticeably shorter and cooler, apples are ripening on the trees, trees are less lush and green, crops are turning, haying is about finished, our summer visitors have mostly been and gone. I am making myself so depressed!

The corn is ready and that's always a treat, we have wonderful green beans and I have been cooking a potful almost every day. The blasted deer ate a lot of the peas but we still managed to put away

two nice pickings. They took their share of the lettuce but we still had more than we could use. Carrots, potatoes and beets etc. are good and the zucchini is, as always, more than adequate.

While we were away on holiday the deer invaded the rose beds and nipped some of the plants right back to the stems. The two-year-old Morden Sunrise and the new Hope for Humanity were especially mangled. We have a big healthy dog that is supposed to earn his keep by keeping rodents at bay but his idea of guard duty is to lie comfortably in his house, which is on the deck by the front door, and with his head resting on his door sill, he barks until I can't take it any more and come stumbling from my bed to shrieck, "Shut Up."

Meanwhile the deer have eaten the peas and lettuce and are having rosebuds for dessert.

I have tried any number of methods to deer proof the roses, human hair, Irish Spring soap, flapping white plastic bags, moth balls, commercial spray, lights. The latest, and so far effective, method is a swatch of plastic chicken wire, sort of rolled and held in place by strategically placed bricks. The theory is that they don't like anything that may tangle their feet. The rose bed looks like a miniature Stalag 13, but I do have roses and even the Morden Sunrise and Hope for Humanity have recovered enough

to have several blooms.

The nasturtiums are wonderful this year and the six big well castings that hold them are great mounds of colour. Nasturtiums are pretty well trouble-free, plant 'em and stand back. They don't like rich soil or a lot of wind, about their only enemy is cabbage moths. We have very nice dahlias and I remembered to spray this year so avoided the nasty little things that eat their way in and prevent the buds from opening. I started a lot of my own geraniums and I had really good luck with starting heliotrope so I have several big pots and beds with that combination, and once again my Annabelle Hydrangea was excellent.

The robins ate the raspberries and saskatoons but we have tomatoes and cucumbers in the greenhouse. The new little spruce trees grew wonderfully and the long row of peonies was breathtaking. It has been a good summer and I am grateful for it. I will try to store up the sights and sounds, the colours and smells and use what I have learned to work on next year's various projects.

I will bring in as many plants as is feasible, I will pretend that fall is not imminent and I will put up with another winter as much as I hate it. As soon as the Christmas decorations are stowed away I will start a few seeds and spring will come again.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

TOWN COUNCIL:

Tuesday, September 4 & 18, 2007 Council Chambers at 7:00 pm

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MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, September 5 & 19, 2007 Council Chambers at 4:30 p.m.

DIDSBUY LIFELINE SOCIETY:

Monday, September 10, 2007—Council Chambers at 10:00 am

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS:

DP 85-07 1600B – 20 th Avenue	Sign with conditions	C1
DP 107-07 2316 – 17 Avenue	Accessory Building	R2
DP 108-07 1710 – 20 Street	Change of Use – Medical Clinic	C1

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Robert Wigg, Development Officer

NOTICE OF NOMINATION DAY

Local Authorities Election Act (Sections 26)

Local Jurisdiction: The Town of Didsbury, in the Province of Alberta.

Notice is hereby given that Nomination Day is September 17, 2007 and that nominations for the election of candidates for the following offices will be received at the location of the local jurisdiction office set out below between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Nomination Day.

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Ward or Electoral Division Number
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Councillor	6	N/A
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Trustee (Separate School)	1	39

Location (Address) of Local Jurisdiction Office:

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*Luana G. Smith
Chief Returning Officer*

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That portion of land known as:

**Lot 1&2, Block 14, Plan 5116 I
2102 – 22 Avenue**

The purpose of the amendment is to amend the present Land Use By-law 04-13 Map Schedule A from R2 (Residential - General) to RC (Residential/Commercial).

A public hearing prior to second and third reading of the proposed By-law will be held, September 18, 2007, commencing at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue.

The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the Mayor, or her designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law.

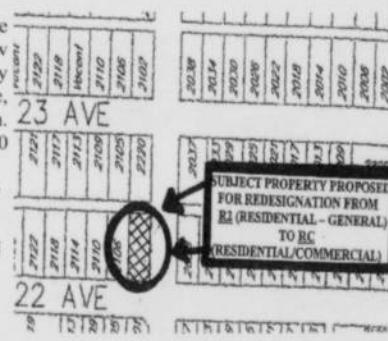
The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon September 18, 2007.

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Land Use By-law amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue, during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Robert Wigg
Planning and Development Officer



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Mountain View County Public Notice

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THE OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING TIMES AND SUBMISSION DEADLINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Public Notice

Bylaw No. 17/07 a bylaw to Replace Bylaw No. 26/04

The Council of Mountain View County has given first reading to Bylaw No. 17/07 at their regular Council meeting of August 22, 2007 and has set the **Public Hearing for this Bylaw for September 11, 2007 at or after 9:00am at the County Office located at 1408 Twp. Rd. 32.0.**

The purpose of Bylaw No. 17/07 is to replace the current Municipal Development Plan (MDP) for the municipality. The purpose of the MDP is to guide land use and development in Mountain View County to ensure that growth is orderly, efficient, and effective and reflects the interests and values of the community. A set of 6 (six) Growth Centres as shown on the following maps have been identified within the proposed MDP which will allow higher residential development provided development criteria has been met.

Copies of the proposed bylaw and related materials may be viewed between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm at the Mountain View County Office. To download a copy of the Draft Plan please visit our website at <http://www.mountainviewcounty.com>. Copies of the Draft Plan will also be available to view at libraries throughout the County.

Comments will be received by Diana Hawryluk, Manager of Planning and Development, in any of the following formats:

E-mail: diana.hawryluk@mountainviewcounty.com

Fax: 403-335-9207

Mail: Postal Bag 100, Didsbury, AB T0M 0W0

Delivered to: County Office, 1408 Twp. Rd. 32.0

Any comments received by 12:00 noon MST, September 7, 2007 will be included in the Agenda for Council's consideration. Any person who wishes to address Council on Bylaw 17/07 may do so at the scheduled Public Hearing.

Out of school program gets stronger in second year

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

ing the children with options for mind and body stimulation.

Many times, they involve crafts, games, outdoor play, indoor play and visiting the school library.

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Presently the program begins at 7:15 a.m. and lasts until 8:15 a.m., which is right before school starts.

But Leutschaft says there is a demand to begin earlier, which is something that is being considered.

"Some have asked if we can start at 6:15 a.m.," she said.

"Some of them commute to Calgary, some of them are nurses here in town so they need that extra time."

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Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Ward of Electoral Division Number (if applicable)
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Location (Address) of Local Jurisdiction Office:

The Board Room at
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A deposit of \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) cash, certified cheque or money order must accompany nomination papers on September 17, 2007.

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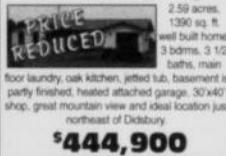
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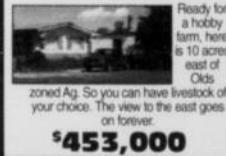
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08-23 – Complaint of a vehicle driving at speeds of over 150 km and passing other vehicles on the right-hand side Hwy 2 south of Didsbury.

Police say the subject vehicle almost caused the complainant to hit the ditch.

08-23 – Complaint of a driver receiving disturbing letters placed on their car. According to the RCMP, the letter claimed the driver was being watched because the writer believed the driver didn't know how to park properly.

08-24 – Report of suspicious persons at a residence in Didsbury. Police say witnesses claimed spotting youth on the home's front doorstep, before getting into a vehicle and driving away. It is undetermined what the subjects were up to.

08-24 – Report of a vehicle speeding and passing on solid lines while travelling southbound on Hwy 22.

08-24 – Complaint of dogs barking in a home in Didsbury. Witnesses became suspicious when they saw doors to the residence were open. Police investigated and determined no foul play had occurred and that the homeowners left their doors open so their dogs could enter as they please.

08-25 – Report of a male driver rolling his vehicle near the Zion Evangelical Missionary church in Didsbury. Witnesses say the male left the scene and was walking westbound.

Police Report

AUG. 23-30

08-25 – Report of a white cargo van passing vehicles on the shoulder of Hwy.2 at approximately 140 to 150 km/h.

08-25 – Complaint of a small four-door car cutting in and out of lanes and hitting its brakes while travelling northbound on Hwy.2.

08-25 – Report of a pickup truck swerving all over Hwy. 2 near Didsbury.

Witnesses claim seeing a quad in the back of the truck with the tailgate open. Police located the vehicle and charged Wayne Scott, 55, of Calgary with impaired driving.

08-25 – Complaint of youths on the roof of the Didsbury pharmacy

08-25 – A Didsbury woman reported a man was watching her through a downtown business window. Police say the man advised the woman that he found her to be attractive and asked her if she wanted to be his wife. It was determined that the man was not from town and no threats were made.

08-28 – Report of a motor vehicle collision involving a deer. The deer died at the scene.

08-28 – Report of a motor vehicle collision on 23rd Street in Didsbury. The incident occurred after one driver failed to

obey the stop sign.

08-28 – Complaint of a civil matter, where former owners of a residence in town returned after the sale to remove panels from the fence.

08-28 – Report of a semi-trailer colliding with two moose on Hwy 582 near Didsbury. One moose died resulting from injuries from the collision and the other was put down. The only damage to the truck was fixed on-scene.

08-30 – Complaint of a truck parked in the middle of the street with approximately ten youth around the vehicle being loud in Didsbury.

RCMP note: Between the evening of August 2 and the early hours of August 3 2007, a Royal Blue 1967 Firebird was stolen from the Heads and Service Garage in Carstairs. The vehicle was in the process of being rebuilt and had several upgrades to the vehicle. The vehicle at the time was not operational and would have to be towed to be removed. The vehicle also had several Snap On Tools inside. The approximate value is in excess of \$15 000. Any person(s) with any information about this crime are asked to contact the Didsbury RCMP or Crime Stoppers @ 1-800-222-TIPS.

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Town council briefs

AUGUST 21

Mayor Dorothy Moore presented seven Town of Didsbury summer students with scholarships.

The recipients of this year's scholarships were: Lindsay Baptist, Aimee Lafferty, Julia Pochapsky, Alyssa Smith, Catie St. Jacques and Christina VanBesouw.

Fire Pit Bylaw 2007-17 was presented for second and third reading, but following debate over the size of the offending flame, the bylaw was defeated. According to administration the article will be investigated and be brought back for recommendations at the council meeting Sept. 4.

¹ Council approved a new policy (Volunteer Appreciation Policy) which will standardize the recognition of volunteers with the Town of Didsbury.

Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Didsbury and Didsbury RCMP. Through Public Security Peace Officer Program, it is required that all employers of Peace Officers enter into Memorandums of Understanding with the police service jurisdiction.

Council approved a new policy addressing the disposition of vehicles, equipment, goods, supplies and/or materials purchased by the Town of Didsbury.

Council is moving ahead with the formation of a Community Services Board. At the meeting, council appointed Alice Gray representing seniors, Frankie Kelly and Darcy Mantai representing the community at large, Suzanne Baril representing students, and Councillor Bob Davidson representing Town of Didsbury Council.

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RCMP officer wounded during Sundre raid

Locals alarmed by gunfire

BY DAN SINGLETON
MVG Staff

An internal RCMP investigation was launched Friday after an RCMP Emergency Response Team member was accidentally shot by a fellow officer during a raid on a Sundre-area home last Thursday.

The wounded officer is expected to make a full recovery after undergoing surgery in Calgary's Foothills Hospital last

week.

The officer was shot in the lower leg when ERT members stormed a mobile home two kilometres west of Sundre in executing an illegal weapons search warrant at about 5 a.m. He had not been named at press time.

The officer, who has been a member of the ERT team for about 10 years, was taken to Calgary by ground ambulance.

ERT leader RCMP Cpl. Rob Lidgett, from Sundre, said the officer was hit by a .223 calibre round from the fellow officer's Colt M-16 rifle, he said.

"It was an accidental discharge," he said. "Our officer had the weapon down in the manner it should be. The member is not at fault, it's just that those things happen when things are happening so quickly."

The officer whose gun

discharged remains on duty with the Calgary RCMP detachment. Neither officer had been named at press time.

During Thursday's raid, a suspect in a small house adjacent to the mobile home fired several shots in the building, narrowly missing officers standing outside, say police.

There were no injuries in that shooting.

"I wouldn't say it was a gun fight, but the suspect obviously had barricaded his house and by the time the ERT members got in there, they were yelling 'police, police, police, search warrant', he decided to shoot and narrowly missed the officers," said Lidgett.

"He surrendered after shooting. He didn't have anyone shoot at him. As soon as he shot, he surrendered."

Michael Joseph Webb, 44, has been charged with

two counts of assaulting a police officer while using a weapon (a 44-40 Winchester rifle), posses-

Didsbury provincial court Sept. 5.

Four other people detained at the scene were later released without charges.

Homeowner Michele Hengen, who lives about 100 metres from the scene, said she was woken by the gunfire.

"It's really alarming," said Hengen. "It's alarming that it can happen so close to home. It hasn't seemed to be dangerous living here."

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Innisfail Town Office
4943 – 53 Street
Innisfail, Alberta

Bowden Town Office
2101 – 20 Avenue
Bowden, Alberta

Olds Town Office
4512 – 46 Street
Olds, Alberta

Didsbury Town Office
2037 – 19 Avenue
Didsbury, Alberta

Legislative & Administrative Services
City of Red Deer
2nd Floor, City Hall
4914 – 48 Avenue
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between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Nomination Day.

Boundaries of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Division #39 extend into a portion of the Sylvan Lake, Innisfail, Bowden, Olds and Didsbury areas. Eligible residents may be nominated for the Office of Trustee of the Catholic Regional

Division. For information on exact boundaries - contact Legislative & Administrative Services at 342-8132 or check online at www.reddeer.ca/election. DATED at the City of Red Deer in the Province of Alberta, this 4th day of September 2007.

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Plenty of enthusiasm around skating club

Coaches of the Didsbury Skating Club say they are excited about the upcoming season and invite everyone to be part of the action. Skaters can look forward to what coaches are calling new and proved programs. Power skating and synchronized skating have been added to the mix. A registration and information night is scheduled for 6:30pm to 8:00pm Sept 11 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex.



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

FOOTBALL IN DIDSBUY - Mark Dueck tackles Didsbury teammate Eric Timmins during a sunset practice last week. Twenty-three players have registered for the new community football team with room for 30. The yet unnamed team plays their first game in Carstairs, Sept. 8 at 1 p.m.

Didsbury's gridiron gang

New football league popular amongst local youth

BY JOSH SKAPIN
Didsbury Review

The Didsbury football club is preparing for the launch of its inaugural season.

Approximately 25 players ranging from grade 9 to grade 12 will begin their nine-man football campaign tentatively scheduled at the Carstairs High School Sept. 8.

With the league being in its

infant stage and so far only carrying two active teams, Didsbury and Carstairs will play each other in a presently undetermined number of games in locations including Cremona and Crossfield, hoping to promote and expand the league.

"It's just to get the awareness and show them what they need to have," said team manager Duke Moreau.

"You don't need 40 players to do this."

After being approached by the Carstairs football team's coaching staff about helping start a league, Moreau held an information meeting in late June seeing if there was interest in town.

"The demand was certainly there," he said, of the 15 players that signed registration forms that night.

"Football is starting to take off in a lot of these small communities."

The Didsbury and Carstairs squads are the only ones using nine-player rules in southern Alberta, but Moreau expects that to grow.

"Alberta football is trying to get more nine-man and six-man teams out there."

Moreau says it caters perfectly to smaller rural centres.

While it's only a party of two right now, Moreau says he expects the league to catch on.

"I can see this growing really big," he said.

"In the County of Mountain View for sure."

But he also said there has been some interest from towns like Three Hills and others.

"They'll watch us how we materialize and how we go."

The team is not affiliated with the high school, but Moreau hopes that will eventually change, saying he doesn't feel the addition of a football club would have a negative impact on the school's other team sports.

Coach Mark Lefebvre says 23 of the players on his roster

have never played organized football before. So many of the team's practices have been spent polishing player skills in the fundamentals of the sport.

"It's difficult to know how we are going to compete, because we have nothing to compare to," he said.

Like many inexperienced teams the majority of the team's offensive plays will be spent running the ball.

But that's no slight on their prospective quarterback.

"We've got a guy who can throw the ball 60 yards," chuckled Lefebvre.

"We may send it down the field a few times just to scare them."

But like any inexperienced group, it's important to have players with the right attitude.

Both Moreau and Lefebvre say the team has been jelling well.

And Lefebvre says there is no questioning his team's enthusiasm.

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The team's colours will be blue and white. A name for the club has not yet been announced.

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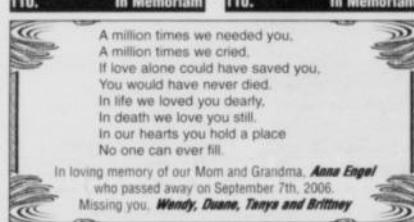
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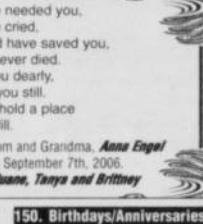
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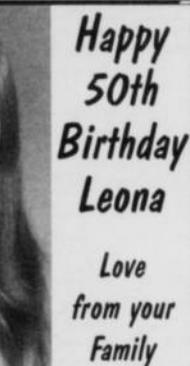


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110. In Memoriam



150. Birthdays/Anniversaries



The Tom Baker Cancer Centre in Calgary has been offering an 8 week **SMOKING CESSATION PROGRAM** since 1983 and has helped thousands of people quit smoking. This program is now available in Airdrie, Didsbury and Strathmore via Telehealth Videocconferencing technology. The cost for cancer patients is \$25; \$100 for others. The next session starts on September 25, 2007. Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. For more information or to register call the Airdrie Public Health office at 912-8400, the Didsbury Public Health office at 335-7292, or visit the website at www.cancerboard.ab.ca

1070. Child Care

DAY HOME, meals provided, activities planned, references available \$25/day. Call 335-8460.

3210. Misc. For Sale

SERTA "Perfect Sleeper" queen size mattress set \$50.00 OBO
Maytag Dryer (white)
\$50.00 OBO
(403)335-3774

4030. Horses & Tack

3 YEAR OLD PAINT GELDING
with papers. \$1000.00 obo
Jackie@ (403)507-8383.
Leave message

5145. Wanted to Rent

LOOKING FOR place to rent October 1st. Single Mom with one child 335-3553

ROOMMATE WANTED to share 3 bedroom furnished house in Didsbury. Call Brandee at (403) 382-1975. Rent \$550 + half utilities.

To Advertise Call 335-3301

1005. Help Wanted

5155. Shared Accomodations

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DIDSBURY REVIEW

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5155. Shared Accomodations

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SELL YOUR HOME FAST AND FOR TOP DOLLAR**Call for a FREE Market Evaluation****•No Cost •No Obligation •Any Time****335-0007****DIDSBURY MOBILE \$39,900**

Affordable housing, 2 large bdrms + additional boot room

**CARSTAIRS \$324,900**

Carriage Lane Way, 3 bedrooms, 1214 sq. ft., double attached garage, beautiful new construction in the family home.

**CARSTAIRS 2 STOREY \$392,500**

New construction in The Havenfields, 3 bedrooms, close to school and community centre, over 1800 sq. ft. with double attached garage.

**CARSTAIRS \$179,900**

1200+ sq. ft. modular on large owned lot, dbl detached garage, garden plot & shed.

**ROSE BUD VALLEY \$327,500**

1191sq.ft. 3 bedroom new home being built on a corner lot in a cul - de - sac by Rose Bud Creek

**CARSTAIRS \$393,000**

Fully developed bungalow, 4 bedrooms, 1600 sq. ft.+, double detached garage, mature yard.

**NEW CONSTRUCTION \$288,900**

1136 sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, clear view of the pond near Rosebud River



Call today for a free home evaluation



REALTORS

**1.48 ACRES \$399,900**

Fully renovated 4 bedroom raised bungalow. Nicely treed lot, 6 miles East of QEII just off hwy 82.

**SE CALGARY \$289,500**

1051 sq. ft. condo, 2 bdrms, main floor unit. Open floor design, New laminate flooring.



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REALTORS

**NEW HOME \$429,000**

75 Westpoint Drive. 4 bed, hardwood, fireplace, fully developed basement

**ADULT DUPLEX \$292,000**

2 bedrooms, 1116 sq. ft., hardwood floors, with a single attached garage, and fully landscaped.

**CARSTAIRS \$349,900**

New construction in west Highlands, vaulted ceilings, 3 bedrooms, backs onto a green space, hardwood floors, Feb '08 possession.

**NEW LISTING \$449,000**

Quarter Section Hay land, rolling hills. Good building site.

**READY SEPT \$294,900**

Rose Bud Valley cul-de-sac with a new bi-level 3 bdrm 1195 sq', rounded corners, iron railings

**CARSTAIRS \$349,900**

Single family dwelling, 3 bedrooms, double attached garage, over 1200 sq. ft., beautiful cabinetry, new 5 yr home warranty, price includes GST.

**CALGARY \$474,900**

Quiet crescent, 5 bedrooms, 1166 sq. ft. with double detached garage, beautiful hardwood & new laminate.

**QUIET CRESCENT \$299,900**

Open floor plan, backs onto park, oversized detached garage.

**CARSTAIRS \$349,900**

Family home, 3 bedrooms, bungalow style, beautiful rock work at front, double attached garage, over 1200 sq. ft. Buy now pick your colors.

**LAKE PROPERTY \$539,000**

Executive Lake Property - Olds. Walkout basement. Prime location. Shows 100%. 19 Lake Ridge Rd.

**DIDSBURY \$304,900**

Exclusive 45 plus area close to the hospital. Brand new 2 bdrm duplex with over 1191 sq'.

**FAMILY HOME \$359,900**

Carstairs - this is a 1335 sq. ft. 5 bedroom fully finished home, fenced.

**ACREAGE \$599,900**

1300+ sq. ft., 3 bdrm home on 15 acres, barn, corrals, quonset, hayland. SE of Didsbury.

**ADULT DUPLEX \$305,000**

Exclusive 1220 sq. ft. duplex in 45 plus area. 1 bdrms with den, main floor laundry.

**LARGE LOT \$369,000**

Family home, Large lot, 65x318', 3 bdrm, plus 2 car garage, beautiful mature trees

**LIGHT INDUSTRIAL LOTS \$149,000/acre****ADULT DUPLEX \$314,900**

Exclusive 2 bdrm duplex over 1191 sq' in a 45 plus area, with a fully developed basement.

**LARGE PIE LOT \$379,000**

Built in 2006 this open floor plan has 1277 sq' w/5 bdrm and fully developed basement.

**BUSINESS FOR SALE \$279,000**

Busy award winning drive thru restaurant in friendly fast growing central Alberta town. Great family business with unlimited potential on prime real estate.

**NEW LISTING \$324,500**

Carstairs family home, cul de sac, 4 bedroom, 4 level split, oversized garage, huge mature yard with back lane.

**CARSTAIRS BUNGALOW \$389,900**

Buy now and pick your colors. Double attached garage, walkout basement, fireplace, two beds up with open floorplan

**COMMERCIAL LISTING \$349,900**

Shop in Carstairs, 4280 sq. ft. Commercial building, Divided in two units.

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